

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKITAKRISHNAN: (a) Yes.

(b) Rs. 4,750.

(c) Yes.

MR. K. G. KESAVAN NAIR (*Chengannacherry cum Peermade*): In regard to part (b) of the question, may I know the actual amount that has been spent for maintenance?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKITAKRISHNAN: Rs. 697 and Rs. 954 against a grant of Rs. 840.

Bridge near Kumarakam Church.

167. *MR. V. K. VELAPPAN NAIR (*Vaikom cum Kottayam*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) the year in which the construction of the bridge was commenced near Kumarakam Church in the Kottayam-Kumarakam road;

(b) the progress made so far;

(c) the amount spent for the work already carried out;

(d) the estimated amount for the bridge; and

(e) the probable expense for the completion of the remaining portion of the work?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKITAKRISHNAN (a) 1113 M. E.

(b) The most difficult portion of the work *viz.* foundation work of pile driving &c., has been completed.

(c) Rs. 10,178.

(d) Rs. 30,050—second revised estimate.

(e) Rs. 19,872— Do.

MR. V. K. VELAPPAN NAIR: With reference to the answer 'the most difficult portion of the work has been completed', may I know from the honourable member why it was not continued during the past seven years?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKITAKRISHNAN: I think we had better not dig into the past. I inspected the bridge and found number of piles inadequate.

Restaurants and Hotels.

168. *SRIMATI T. NARAYANI AMMA (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) whether any sort of control is exercised by the Trivandrum Corporation over the restaurants and hotels of the town;

(b) if so, what the nature of the control is;

(c) in how many instances has action been taken against those institutions; and

(d) whether questions connected with the cleanliness of the premises, the drinking cups and other vessels used in these institutions etc., come under the purview of the controlling powers of the Corporation?

MR. C. P. GOPALA PANICKER (*Secretary to Government*): (a) Yes. The restaurants and hotels in the Trivandrum City are subject to periodical inspection by the Health staff of the Corporation.